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My comment was in regard to the toxicity (and growth?) data on *Corbicula* collected during the bioaccumulation tests that was mentioned in the Round 2 Report. I don't have the report in front of me but you may want to double check if they just collected survival information or growth also. Before the last sentence I would add another on that says "Data on *Corbicula* survival and growth collected during the bioaccumulation tests should be presented as a line of evidence".

Burt- did you have a different idea on this one?

-Jennifer

-----Original Message-----

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Burt or Jenn: In my notes under assessment endpoint 3 (bivalves) Burt said he was going to provide a sentence fragment to address one of your concerns, Jennifer. Section it pertains to is included below:

- ***Bivalve Measurement Endpoint 2: Sediment toxicity testing to empirically assess adverse effects***

No specifically designed toxicity tests with bivalves were performed as part of the Portland Harbor RI/FS. However, the 28-day bioaccumulation tests with *Corbicula* may also provide some information on sediment COPC effects on survival or growth. If so, these results should be presented and discussed in the BERA. The previously discussed *Hyalella* and *Chironomus* sediment toxicity tests can also serve as toxicity tests with surrogate species representation of bivalves.

Could you please provide the sentence fragment so I can take care of that? Thanks,  
-Bob

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